



WITNESS

Digging Deeper Living Outside Yourself

Week of May 21, 2017

These Digging Deeper questions can be used the week following the Sunday message. You can use these questions for personal growth and development, or as a guide for your family or Connect Group discussions.

Message Recap:

Read John 20:19-22

If we are being real, we are all broken. We can be broken apart in a world that just wants to work against you, or we can be broken together with Jesus, who, in our brokenness, spills eternal life out of our cracks and into the world. Remember that God sent Jesus to heal the world life by life. God notices us, values us, shows compassion on us, and acted boldly to offer love clearly. This is a love that is meant for all of us, to heal our lives. As he heals our broken, he asks us to do as he did and heal the world with him, life by life. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to notice and value people, show compassion and act boldly to offer Jesus' love. The only way to get more people to accept Jesus, we have to tell more people about Jesus. If we choose to remain broken in the world without Jesus, we aren't going to be able to share Jesus with the world. It's time to go and offer the hope that you have to the world.

Pray

Jesus let me be broken in you instead of broken in the world. I don't want it to be about me, but about you and all you have done. I want your mercy, hope, grace and eternal life to seep out of my brokenness and into the world. Jesus, use my brokenness is the best way that shows you to the world.

Getting Started

- Looking back at your childhood, what is one of your favorite happy memories?
- When you were little, what kind of costumes did you like to dress up in?

Digging Deeper

1. Define how everyone is broken. How is it different to be broken in the world versus broken in Jesus.
2. Describe how our broken in Jesus can bleed his love into the world around us.
3. Share how or when you knew that God noticed you, valued you, and showed compassion for your need. How did that change your life?
4. Explain this statement: Jesus is sending you to heal a world, life by life. Why is this important? How does he send us? How can we heal the world?
5. Read John 20:19-22
 - How do you feel Jesus' peace?
 - How does the Holy Spirit help us share Jesus?
6. How can you let others see Jesus in your broken?
7. Who are you sharing Jesus with?

Living Jesus

It's time to be real. Real about your pain. Real about how Jesus has healed it. Or real about how you aren't letting Jesus into your broken. We are looking so hard to find normal, or to find unconditional love. In our broken, we can't find that without Jesus. How has Jesus changed you? How are you living differently because of Jesus? Are you living how Jesus told you to live? If not, what is holding you back? Choose today to let Jesus into your broken, and then go share Jesus with a broken world. You can use your answer to question three above as your testimony.